September.

Blacke) hell. Gange) goe. Miſter) maner. Mirke) obſcure. VVarre) vvorſe.
Crumenall) purſe. Brace compaſſe. Encheſon) occaſion. Ouergraſt) ouergrovvē vvith graſſe. Galage) ſhoe. The groſſe) the whole.
Buxome and bent) meeke and obedient.
Saxon king) K. Edgare, that reigned here in Brytanye in the yeare of our Lorde. vvhich king cauſed all the VVolues, vvhereof then vvas ſtore in thys countrye, by a proper policie to be deſtroyed. So as neuer ſince that time, there haue ben VVolues here ſouude, vnleſſe they were brought from other countryes. And therefore Hobbinoll rebuketh him of vntruth, for ſaying there be VVolues in England.
Nor in Chriſtendome) This ſaying ſeemeth to be ſtrange and vnreaſonable: but indede it vvas vvont to be an olde prouerbe and comen phraſe. The original vvhereof vvas, for that moſt part of England in the reigne of king Ethelbert vvas chriſtened, Kent onely except, vvhich remayned long after in myſbeliefe and vnchriſtened, So that Kent vvas counted no part of Chriſtendome.
Great hunt) Executing of lavves and iuſtice. Enaunter) leaſt that.
Inly) invvardly. afforeſayde. Preuely or pert) openly ſayth Chaucer.
Roffy) The name of a ſhepehearde in Marot his Æglogue of Robin and the Kinge. vvhome he here commendeth for greate care and vviſe gouernance of his flock
Colin cloute) Novve I thinke no man doubteth but by Colin is euer meante the Authour ſelfe. vvhoſe eſpeciall good freend Hobbinoll ſayth he is, or more rightly Mayſter Gabriel Haruey: of vvhoſe ſpeciall commendation, aſvvell in Poetrye as Rhetorike and other choyce learning, vve haue lately had a ſufficient tryall in diuerſe his vvorkes, but ſpecially in his Muſarum Lachrymæ, and his late Gratulationū Valdinenſium vvhich boke in the progreſſe at Audley in Eſſex, he dedicated in vvriting to her Maieſtie. aftervvard preſenting the ſame in print vnto her Highneſſe at the vvorſhipfull Maiſter Capells in Hertfordſhire. Beſide other his ſundrye moſt rare and very notable vvritings, partely vnder vuknown Tytles, and partly vnder counterfayt names, as hys Tyrannomaſtix, his Ode Natalitia, his Rameidos, and eſſpecially that parte of Philomuſus, his diuine Anticoſmopolita, and diuers other of lyke importance. As alſo by the names of other ſhepheardes, he couereth the perſons of diuers other his familiar freendes and beſt acquayntaunce.
This tale of Roffy ſeemeth to coloure ſome particular Action of his. But vvhat, I certeinlye knovv not. VVonned) haunted. VVelkin) ſkie. afforeſaid.
A VVeanell vvaſte) a vveaned youngling. Hidder and ſhidder) He & ſhe. Male and Female. Steuen) Noyſe. Beliue) quickly. VVhat euer) Ouids verſe tranſlated. Quod caret alterna requie, durabile non eſt.
Forehaile) dravve or diſtreſſe. Vetchie) of Peaſe ſtravve.

Embleme.

This is the ſaying of Narciſſus in Ouid. For vvhen the fooliſhe boye by beholding hys face in the brooke, fell in loue vvith his ovvne likeneſſe: and not hable to content him ſelfe vvith much lookng thereon, he cryed out, that plentye made him poore. meaning that much gazing had bereft him of ſence. But our Diggon vſeth it to other purpoſe, as vvho that by tryall of many vvayes had founde the vvorſt,

vvorſt, and through greate plentye vvas fal
knovve, to haue bene much vſed of the aut
Narciſſus ſpake it.

Ægloga deci

ARGVMEN

IN Cuddie is ſet out the perfecte paterne
maintenaunce of his ſtate and ſtudies,
Poetrie, and the cauſes thereof: Specially
amõgſt the moſt barbarous alwayes of ſing
indede ſo worthy and commendable an ar
gift and heauenly inſtinct not to bee gotte
dorned with both: and poured into the witt
leſtiall inſpiration, as the Author hereo
in his booke called the Engliſh Poete, w
my bands, I mynde alſo by Gods grace vpo

Pierce.

CVddie, for ſhame hold vp thy
And let vs caſt with what de
K.